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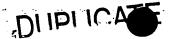
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PCT/EP2003/006446	18 June 2003	21 June 2002						
TITLE OF INVENTION Process For The Physical Depolymerization of Glycosaminogylcanes and Products Obtained Therefrom								
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2. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.								
3. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.								
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6. An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).								
a. is attached hereto.	a. is attached hereto.							
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7. Amendments to the claims of the	Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))							
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d. have not been made	d. have not been made and will not be made.							
8. An English language translation	An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).							
9. An oath or declaration of the inv	An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). (Executed)							
10. An English language translation Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).	An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).							
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18. A second copy of the published	A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).							
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